

NOTICE REGARDING
OUTDOOR MUSIC VENUE ORDINANCE (#20090312-017)

An ordinance was adopted by City Council on March 12, 2009, affecting Amplified Sound/Outdoor Music Venues, and is effective as of that date.

The ordinance primarily:

- I. Establishes submittal requirements for an Outdoor Music Venue application.
- II. Establishes review criteria. The criteria include:
 - proximity of the proposed Outdoor Music Venue to existing surrounding land uses (single-family and multifamily);
 - the size and capacity of the Outdoor Music Venue;
 - sound mitigation to be provided by the operator of the Outdoor Music Venue;
 - additional limitations on the hours that sound equipment may be operated; and,
 - the history of noise complaints regarding the Outdoor Music Venue.
- III. Requires notification of the owner of single-family and multifamily uses within 600 feet of the Outdoor Music Venue.
- IV. Establishes a process by which an applicant and an interested party may appeal the decision of the issuance or denial of the application

Additional Information:

- A full copy of the ordinance is available at:
<http://www.cityofaustin.org/edims/document.cfm?id=126589>
- Additional information about music/sound/noise permits and restrictions is available at:
http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/pace/music_noise_permit.htm
- Amplified sound at an outdoor music venue associated with a restaurant use may not exceed 70 decibels at the property line.
- For enforcement of the sound ordinance please contact 3-1-1.
- If you have any questions about this ordinance or need general information about sound/Outdoor Music Venue permits, please contact Clara Hilling at 512-974-2686, or by email at clara.hilling@ci.austin.tx.us.